

COUNTRY Czechoslovakia

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1. PS Units in As

2. Military Information from Liberec and Jablonec

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PS Units in As.

1. The barracks installation on ul. Vychodni on the southeast edge of As (N 51/P 18) was occupied by a PS unit of about 50 men prior to 4 January 1952. Two horse-drawn light guns, 1 light tank mounting a heavy machine gun, 2 Tatra trucks and about 15 Skoda jeeps were seen in the billeting area.*
2. Additional PS installations were located on ul. Neuhausenska, just southwest of the town, on ul. Pikra in the northeast section of the town, at Heinberg in the woods northeast of the town, and on the road to Cheb (N 51/P 37) about 2 km southeast of the town. An installation containing about 12 heavy machine guns, 18 light machine guns, an armored personnel carrier about 6 meters long, and 2 light guns was in the barracks installation at Heinberg.*
3. A small ammunition depot which, in addition to ammunition boxes, contained 4 light guns, 2 light tanks, 1 open armored vehicle mounting a light four-barreled AA gun, several light and heavy machine guns and about 50 rifles was located in a wooded area, between 2 and 3 km northeast of the town.
4. A PS headquarters was located in a three-story building on ul. Tyrsova in the center of the town. About 10 sedans and several jeeps usually parked in front of the installation. Soldiers entering and leaving the installation wore PS uniform; some of them had the gold letter T on their epaulets. **
5. An SNB office was located on ul. Kamonna across from a junior high school in the middle of the town, while the StB office was located in the barracks installation on ul. Vychodni.

Liberec and Jablonec.

6. [redacted] a large number of civilian buildings had been requisitioned for officer families in Liberec (O 51/G 16) in November 1951. Residents believed that the personnel of the post would soon be increased.
7. Jablonec (O 51/G 26) was unoccupied until late 1951. Only a commission of about 25 officers and EM had been in the town since April 1951 to negotiate with the town administration on billets and quarters for troops. This commission also

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examined all youth eligible for military service. Examinations lasted for about two hours and included investigations into the personal background and the political attitude. Registrations for the draft were later made by another commission in the fall of 1951.

- 25X1 * [] Comment. With the exception of the 2d PS Bn of the brigade in Cheb, no military units are carried in As. Previous information indicated that a former steam sawmill on the southeast edge of the town, the former town hall in the north section of the town, a former home for the aged in Novy Zdar, 1.5 km southeast of the railroad station, and another installation in the center of the town were occupied by PS soldiers. These installations are probably those [] of the present report. The guns observed no doubt were AT guns which, however, have so far been reported with PS NCO schools in isolated instances. Light armored scout cars were previously reported from areas of the other PS brigades.
- 25X1 ** [] Comment. The significance of the letter T on the epaulets is not known.